

The Winter Hazard Awareness Week Photo Contest Terms and Conditions

What Photos to Enter

We are looking for images that illustrate every aspect of winter in Minnesota. Photos may be color or black-and-white. Previously published photos may be entered, but please include information on when and where the photos appeared. Entrants must not infringe on the rights of other photographers or submit images that involve willful harassment of wildlife or damage to the environment by the photographer.

There are two age divisions and four categories:

Divisions

Photographers must enter their images in one of the following divisions:

- **Adult** — Amateur photographers at least 16 years of age, and experienced photographers who do not receive the majority of their income from photography.
- **Youth** — Photographers ages 15 and younger.

Categories

The same photo may not be entered in more than one category. Judges reserve the right to switch images to other categories.

- **Mother Nature** — Wildlife, landscapes, water, trees and plants in a winter setting
- **Winter Holidays** — Indoor or outdoor activities or decorations related to any specific winter holiday
- **Kids in Winter** — Children 16 and under, outdoors in a winter setting
- **Outdoor Winter Sports** — Amateur athletics or sporting activity in an outdoor winter setting

Winter Hazard Awareness Photo Contest 2011-12 Prizes:

Adult Division:

Grand Prize – Portable NOAA Weather Radio

All categories:

1st Prize – Winter Auto Emergency kit

2nd Prize – Shake-n-Shine Flashlight

3rd Prize – Water bottle/Emergency kit

Youth Division:

Grand Prize – NOAA Weather Radio

All categories:

1st Prize – Deluxe First Aid Kit

2nd Prize – Shake-n-shine flashlight

3rd Prize – 7-in-1 Whistle tool

Prizes may be substituted for items of equal or greater value depending on availability. Prizes will be distributed following completion of the competition and announcement of the winners in March.

Terms and Conditions

By the act of entering photos in this contest, you represent and warrant that (1) you own or otherwise have all necessary rights to the photo(s) you enter and the rights to enter them and that (2) publication of the photos will not cause injury to any person or entity. Using a name other than your own (or that of your parent or legal guardian) in association with contest entry is prohibited.

Contest Eligibility

Any amateur photographer, except employees and families of the Winter Hazard Awareness Coalition (The State of Minnesota, American Red Cross, Insurance Federation of Minnesota, Minnesota Safety Council, Minnesota State Fire Chiefs Association, or the National Weather Service). DPS reserves the right to verify, in its sole judgment, winner eligibility. Winter Hazard Awareness Coalition members and families may submit photos for display, but are not qualified for judging or contest prizes.

For all the photos you enter in the Winter Hazard Awareness Week Photo Contest, you grant the Minnesota Department of Public Safety a worldwide, royalty-free, perpetual, irrevocable, non-exclusive right and fully sub-licensable license to archive, store, and create derivative works from such photos in any form, format or medium of any kind, now known or later developed. Without limiting the generality of the previous sentence, you allow DPS to share photos submitted by you across all websites and printed material in any way associated with or produced by DPS, to include them in searchable material or use them in promotional material or advertisements. All these rights are granted without need for compensation of any sort to you.

Do not provide photographs that:

- Are copyrighted or otherwise proprietary in nature
- Contain vulgar, profane, abusive, racist or distasteful images, or could be perceived as defamatory, threatening, misleading or discriminatory on the grounds of race, religion, national origin, gender, age, marital status, sexual orientation or disability.
- Deliberately or intentionally advertise or promote any goods or services. Violation of these rules will cause photos to be rejected and may be referred to law enforcement authorities.